June 3, 2010

The Honorable Julius Genachowski, Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: MB Docket No. 10-56

Dear Chairman Genachowski,

As the President and Chief Executive Officer of Vermont Public Television, I am writing to offer my views on Comcast's proposed joint venture with NBC Universal currently under review by the Commission. I strongly believe that Comcast's investment in and support for local communities, in combination with NBC's history of local programming and civic engagement, will only enhance the ability of NBCU and Comcast to serve local WETK-DT Burlington 33 needs in innovative ways.

Comcast has been a valuable partner to me as I worked to develop and expand VPT. Pam Mackenzie, Comcast Area VP, sits on our board and has been a valuable source of information and guidance. Their assistance has been critically important to helping VPT take advantage of digital broadcasting and other recent innovations. Comcast has worked with us to place programming on their Video On Demand Platform and even provided us with additional digital channels enabling us to provide additional programming that caters to children and expands our local news coverage.

This support of public television in Vermont, while important, represents only a small portion of Comcast's commitment to our state. From supporting charitable causes and providing schools and libraries with free video and high-speed Internet services, to employing hundreds of people in dozens of facilities around the state, Comcast is fully present in the localities of Vermont.

In addition, programming such as Comcast Newsmakers, Comcast Spotlight, and the airing of public service announcements is particularly important to me and my colleagues at VPT, where we, too, are focused on educating, informing, entertaining and inspiring Vermonters to be life-long learners and engaged in their community.

I believe that Comcast has a proven record of local commitment here in Vermont and I hope you will keep the positive impact Comcast has on our state in mind as you review this transaction.

Sincerely,

President and CEO



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